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In re Application of Jessica Ash Warring

Application No.: 09/941,132

Filed: August 27, 2001

For: Ear Coupler

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Group Art Unit: 2837

Examiner: Kimberly Lockett

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Statement of Common Ownership

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 103(c) and MPEP § 706.02(l)(3), the applicant submits this statement of common ownership.

The present application (ser. no. 09/941,132) and U.S. Patent No. 6,386,314 B1 to Sheehan were, at the time the invention of the present application was made, owned by Natus Medical Inc.

Employment agreements for both inventors are attached as Exhibits A and B to this Statement of Common Ownership. Under paragraph 2(b) of these agreements, ownership of the present invention was transferred to Natus Medical Inc. Inventor Jessica Warring signed this agreement on or about November 28, 1999, and inventor Christian Walton signed this agreement on or about June 8, 1995.

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced application please find:

- Response to Office Action with Amendments (24 pages);
- Statement of Common Ownership (25 pages);
- Petition for Extension of Time (1 page); and
- Fee Transmittal (1 page).

Sincerely,

Daniel P. Maguire

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